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Idaho Milk Production Up 4.8 Percent

Idaho milk production during July 2011 totaled 1.19 billion pounds, a 4.8 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 5.3 percent from June 2011, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. June milk production was revised to 1.13 million pounds, up 6 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in July 2011 was 2,050 pounds, up 50 pounds from last year's level. The average number of milk cows during July was 582,000 head, up 13,000 from July 2010, and up 4,000 head from June 2011.

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 15.4 billion pounds, up 0.8 percent from July 2010. June revised production at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 1.3 percent from June 2010. The June revision represented a decrease of 5 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,824 pounds for July, 5 pounds below July 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 93,000 head more than July 2010, and 8,000 head more than June 2011.